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Foreign Minister today informed me in course of a conversation that despite rumors he saw no real evidence that Soviets intended to exert pressure on Finns as result of recent European developments and added that he thought any such move would be self-defeating. He said that he was convinced Soviets were genuinely apprehensive of eventual results of rearming Germany but he recognized that they had not shown any disposition to make concessions which might have prevented German rearmament.

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